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NEW IRRIGATION CANALS CUT

KUBAN'-YEGORLYK IRRIGATION SYSTEM -- Pravda Ukrainy, No 32, 9 Feb 49

The future irrigation of the Stavropol' Kray will be greatly aided by the completion of the Nevinnomyssk Canal. Preparations are being made for the construction of the second section of the Kuban'-Yegorlyk irrigation system along the course of the Bol'shoy Yegorlyk, receiving its water supply from the Kuban' River.

Excavation work will soon be started. The Novo-Troitzk hydroelectric power layout is to be built in the course of the next 5 years. At the same time construction will begin on the Pravo-Yegorlyk Canal, which is to carry Kuban' water to shallow and dried-out rivers.

NEW IRRIGATION CANAL -- Pravda Vostoka, No 28, 11 Feb 49

A new irrigation canal has been cut by kolkhoz members of Kuybyshevskiy Rayon. This canal, 3.5 kilometers long, will improve water facilities in a number of kolkhozes of Buydzhayakiy Village Soviet.

KIRGIZIA EXPANDS IRRIGATION SYSTEM -- Sovetskaya Kirgiziya, No 47, 9 Mar 49

Under the direction of the Osh Oblast Water Economy (head of water utilization section, Sosadov), construction of a network of irrigation canals is in progress. Old canals in the Kashgar-Kishlak MTS zone are being replaced by new ones and kolkhoz reservoirs will be equipped with water gauges and concrete hydraulic installations. A canal is being cleared, which will furnish water to about 500 hectares of normally arid land belonging to the "Kaneah" and "Bol'shevik" kolkhozes Tuleykenakiy Rayon, and Kolkhozes imeni Voroshilov, imeni Stalin, and "Internatsional," of Aravanskiy Rayon.

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Kolkhozes of Irza-Akinskiy Rayon plan to widen and lengthen the "Yangi" Canal which is connected with the Kul'duk River and construct along it 50 hydraulic installations. About 45,000 cubic meters of earth will be removed. In Kurshabskiy Rayon approximately 600 hectares of marshy land will be drained. Approximately 400 of this land will be cultivatable by the end of the year.

Kolkhozes of Och-Tereke, Dzhahalal-Abad Oblast, are planning a canal 9 kilometers long which will furnish water to about 500 hectares of cultivated land.

Members of the "Kok-Tash" Agricultural Artel, Dzhangi-Dzhol'skiy Rayon, have decided to lengthen the "Tash" Canal. Its reconstruction will increase the irrigated area by 9 times.

In the "Kysyl-Okt'yabr" Kolkhoz, Barar-Kurganskiy Rayon, a canal will be built this summer which will irrigate 280 hectares of cotton plantations and alfalfa fields.

CANAL TO JOIN ILYAK AND KAFIRNIGAN RIVERS -- Kommunist Tadjikistana, No 47, 9 Mar 49

Kolkhozes of Koktash, Stalinabad Oblast, have almost finished a canal between the Ilyak and Kafirnigan Rivers designed to raise the level of the Ilyak during the summer months.

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